

JUDGE ROBERTS. LASNIK

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	NO. CR20-083RSL
)	
Plaintiff,)	ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED
)	MOTION TO CONTINUE TRIAL AND
vs.)	PRETRIAL MOTIONS DUE DATE
)	
DUNCAN GIBSON,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
)	

Based on the stipulated motion to continue the trial date and extend the due date for pretrial motions, the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. The ends of justice served by granting this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

2. Proceeding to trial absent adequate time for the parties to prepare for trial would result in a miscarriage of justice, particularly in view of the current COVID-19 pandemic and this Court's General Order 11-20, recognizing the difficulties with impaneling of jury of a fair cross-section of the community in this District at this time. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

3. The defense needs additional time to explore issues of some complexity, including all relevant issues and defenses applicable to the case, which would make it unreasonable to expect adequate preparation for pretrial proceedings or for trial itself

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1 within the time limits established by the Speedy Trial Act and currently set for this case.
2 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(ii).

3 4. Taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a continuance is
4 necessary to allow the United States and the defendant the reasonable time for effective
5 preparation for trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv).

6 NOW, THEREFORE,

7 IT IS ORDERED that the trial date is continued from September 28, 2020, to
8 March 22, 2021.

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the resulting period of delay from the date of
10 this Order to the new trial date of March 22, 2021, is hereby excluded for speedy trial
11 purposes under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B).

12 FURTHERMORE, IT IS ORDERED that pretrial motions are due no later than
13 January 22, 2021.

14 DONE this 27th day of August, 2020.

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16 Robert S. Lasnik
17 United States District Judge

18 Presented by:

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20 Attorney for Duncan Gibson
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22 s/ *Ye-Ting Woo*
23 Assistant United States Attorney
24 Approved electronically